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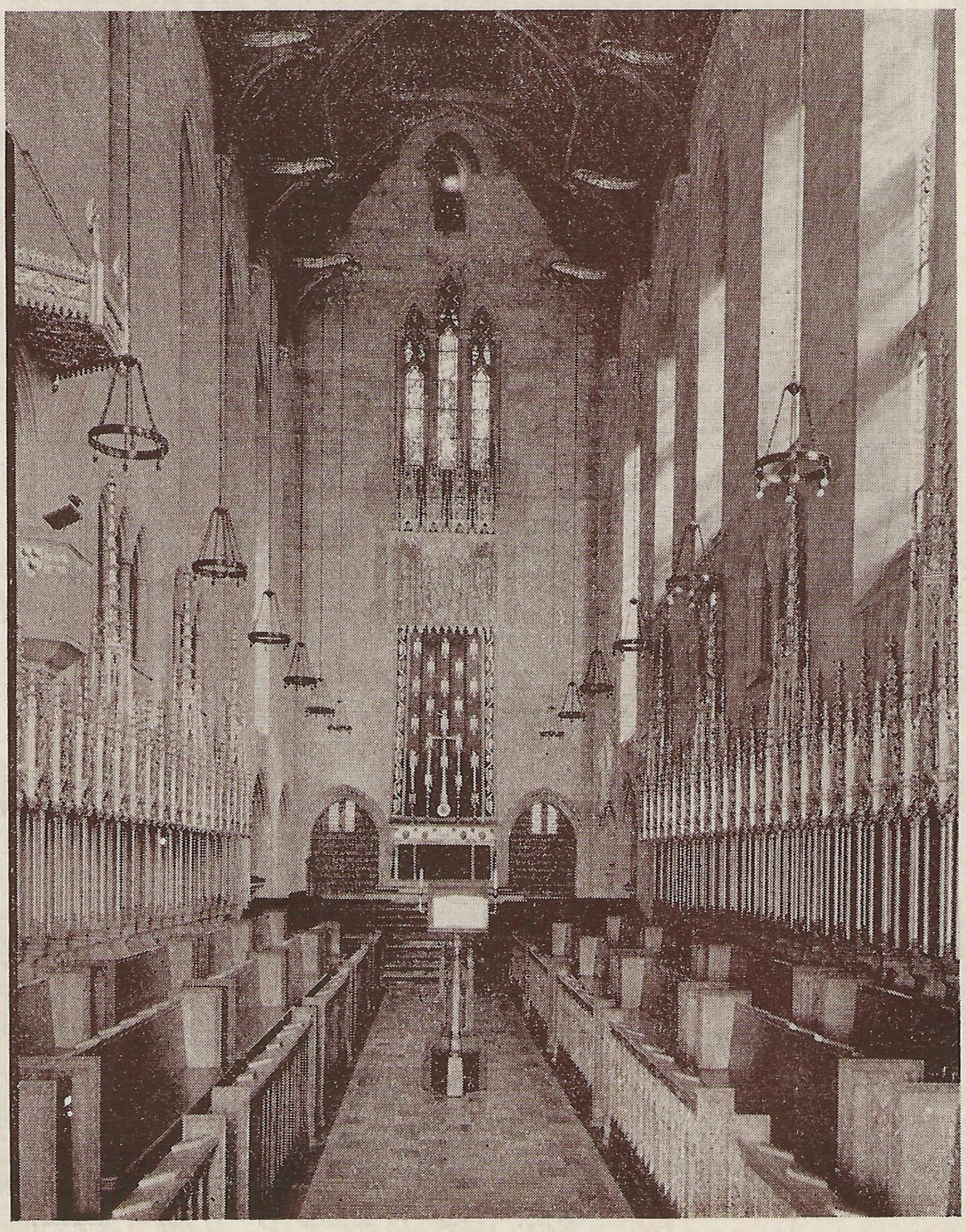

"Where There Is No Vision, the People Perish."

—Proverbs 29:18.

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The Treasurer Reports

In the winter of 1935 when reorganization of the School was commenced we owed $40,000. in back taxes, some $21,000. in Faculty Salaries, and several thousand in back mortgage interest and our income was insufficient to cover future operating charges. We were successful in a suit against the City by which our property is now tax free and the $40,000. was wiped out. We raised, in the Spring of 1935, between $45,000. and $50,000.; enough to discharge the Faculty Salaries, and to pay up all back mortgage interest and to operate the School within our Budget on a limited basis up to the Spring of 1937.

In 1937 we raised almost $30,000. which has carried us to date with the School in full force and effect since October 1, last. We have paid all our bills, salaries, etc., to date and we are living within our Budget. Our finances are subject to an annual audit by Charles S. Rockey and Company, Public Accountants, which we will be glad to have anyone inspect.

We need $35,000. to carry us through 1938, our total Budget being about $52,000. and we feel we are justified in expecting this amount from the friends of the School, on the basis of our financial record as set forth above and the contribution the School will make in pioneering in Clinical Training.

ROWLAND EVANS, *Treasurer.*

A Trustee's Point of View

The new plan of study at the Philadelphia Divinity School—as now organized—is designed to correct a conspicuous failure in the preparation of Divinity Students. In addition to offering all that is best in the traditional spiritual and intellectual training, the Philadelphia Divinity School now requires its students to spend a considerable part of their time in working with men, women and children who need most the help that the Church alone can give. This human "field work" goes forward under the supervision of trained specialists in both the Faculty and the Institutions that are co-operating.

In this way, students of the School are being trained, under the most careful guidance, in tackling many of the most difficult problems that will confront them once they enter their actual Ministry. By being the first to follow this up-to-date technique of other types of professional schools, it is indisputable that the Philadelphia Divinity School is filling a tremendous need. It is the conviction of the Trustees that Laymen who are interested in the quality of the job to be done by the Church in future years will wish to lend their support now to this undertaking.

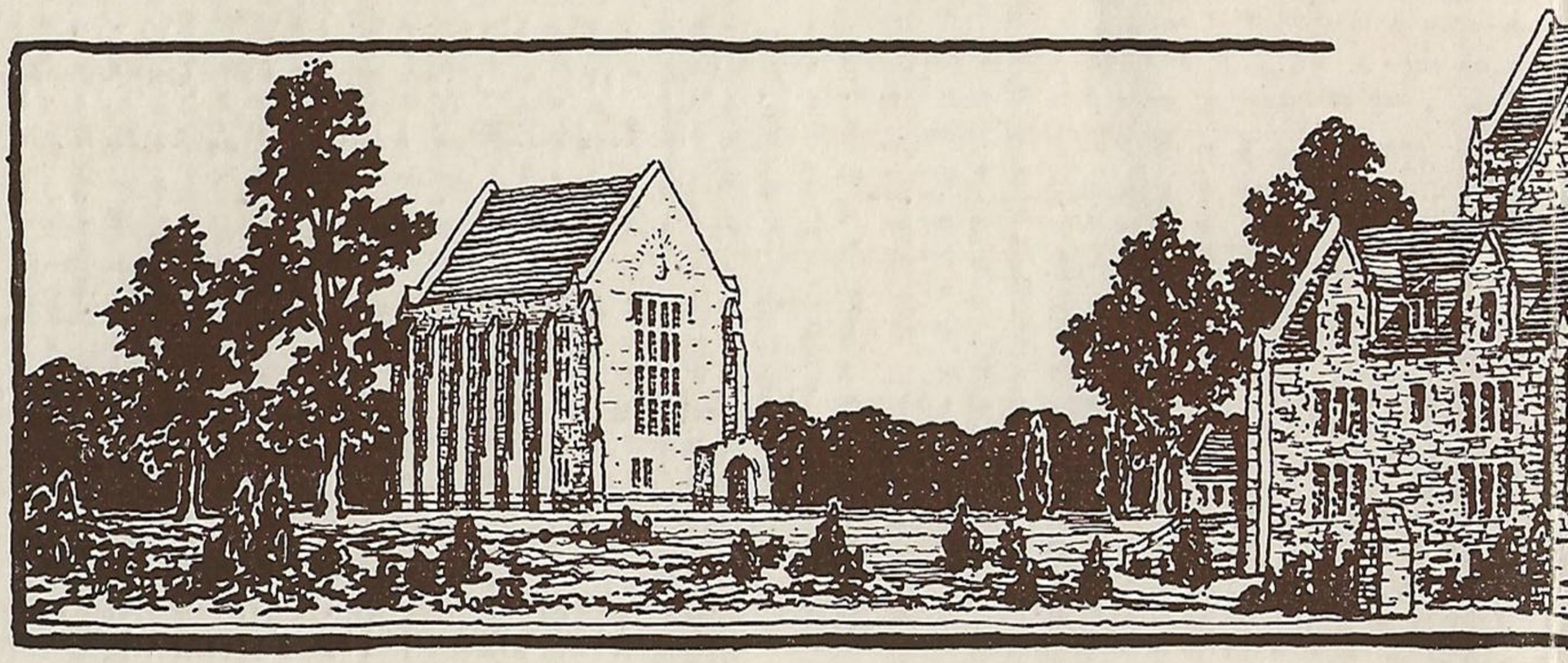
P. BLAIR LEE.

A DOCTOR

". . . your whole objective is to use the resources of our great City for putting the Clergy in touch with the human soul in all its phases, problems, and difficulties, and study it thus for a better knowledge of the soul as it is constituted, and as it has to live; and, with that foundation, to direct and synchronize their theological study with that experience."

". . . as I read it (your plan) over, it prompts me to a continual internal expression of good cheer and approval. It is better than I could have ever thought of doing. . . ."

". . . The Clergy must be taught to know the human Soul in its



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To All Our Friends:

The Divinity School is well on its way to the realization of The New Plan of Theological Education. The Year 1937 marks the close of the Old and the beginning of the New. In 1938 we will see the fruits of our plans and labors for the future.

The support given by the many friends of The School in 1937 enabled us to finance ourselves successfully during the year. Every bill is now being paid within the month in which it is incurred and we close the year with no outstanding indebtedness.

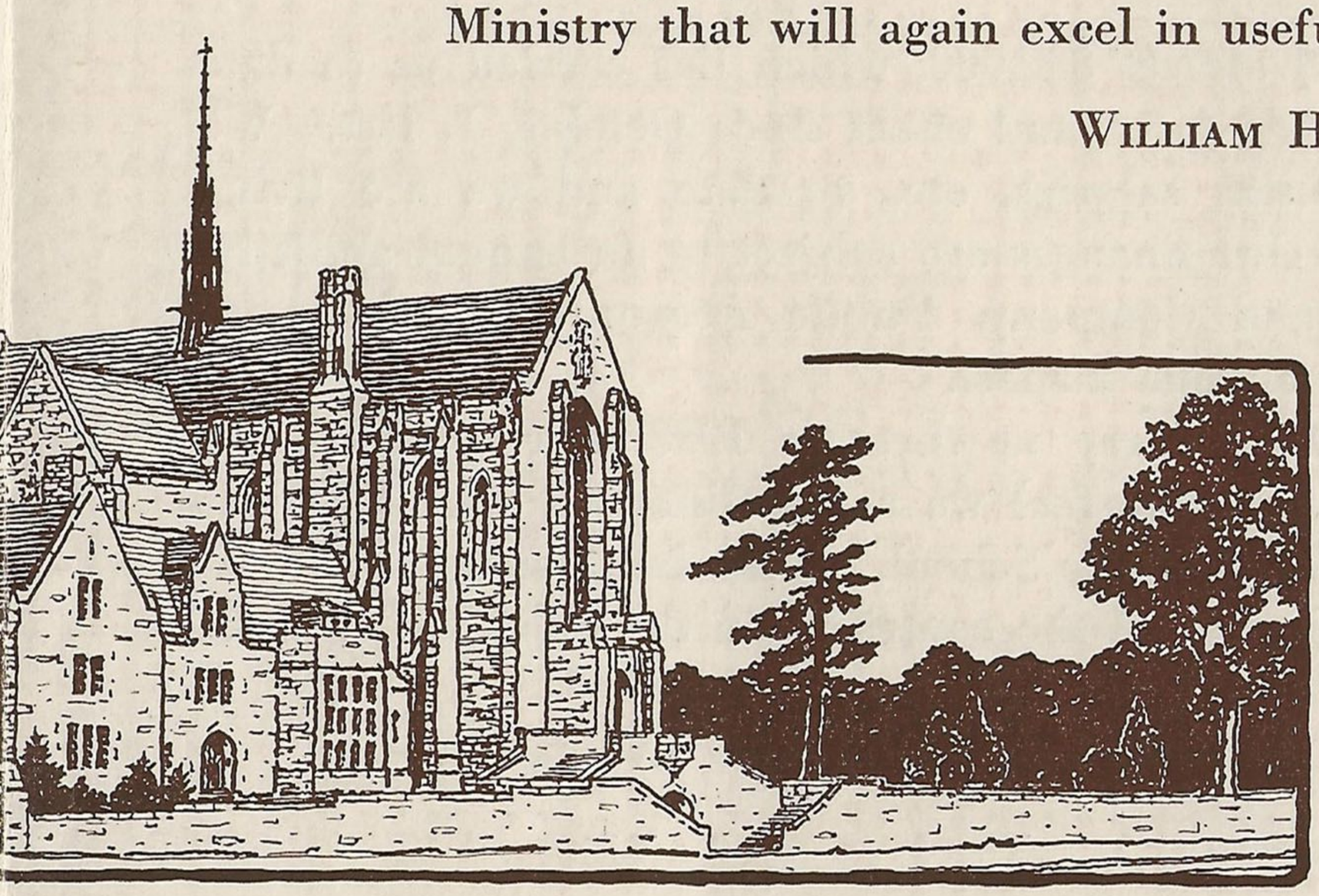
We face 1938, therefore, with hearts full of gratitude to Almighty God for the Blessing He has bestowed upon our work. Faculty, Staff, Students, and Alumni are ready to push eagerly forward into the New Year.

Literally thrilling opportunities are facing us: new methods of Education, new avenues for developing personalities, new ways of

every phase, particularly in its difficulties and at its mellow times; and must be so instructed as to use that knowledge in its ministry to the Soul. The knowledge must include a certain definite scientific experience, but not in terms of becoming a scientist in all these relationships. In other words, it is a process of sanctifying the Priest's own Soul for service in his own field of service."

". . . If you can add this great practical ingredient in proper proportion to the others, you will produce a Ministry that will again excel in usefulness to humanity."

WILLIAM H. JEFFERYS, M.D.



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deepening our Spiritual Lives, new possibilities of extending the sphere and influence of our work, new developments of our physical property and buildings.

Not all of us are able to give financial support to the School in 1938, but everyone of us can pray for God's continued Blessing upon our School. I earnestly beseech the Prayers of all and seek financial support from those who are able to give.

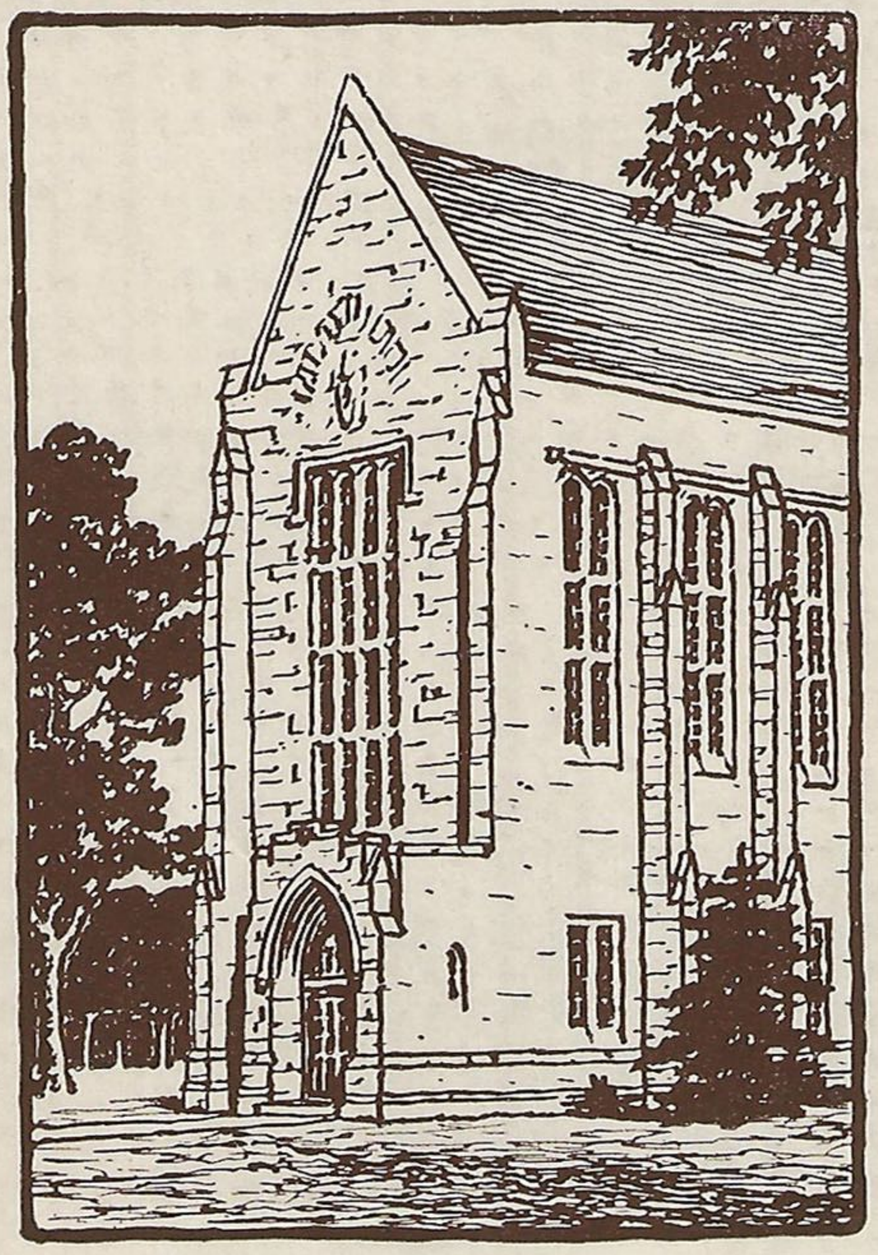
I am deeply and profoundly grateful for all you have done in the past and eagerly seek a growing circle of friends in our constructive efforts for our New Plan of Theological Education.

Faithfully yours,

Allen Evans

St. Paul's House,
1 January 1938.

YESTERDAY



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In the year in which General Grant was made commander-in-chief of the Union Army, Alonzo Potter, third Bishop of Pennsylvania, and founder of our School, issued a statement which has as deep a significance today as it had in the tragic days of 1864.

"We commence our School," he said, "at an eventful crisis in our country's history, and amid agitations over the earth which reach the very foundations of the social structure. . . . More than ever the directing and sanctifying power of Christ's Gospel is needed; more than is usual there is an open door for its Ministers. But they must be more than men of routine or of tradition. . . . They must, in this land, be men who can adjust their labors to the new conditions around them, with the boldness which avails of all that is new and good, and the moderation which conserves all that is useful and sacred. They must be men who are not estranged from prevailing influences and movements, and who yet resist whatever in them is to be feared or condemned.

"The world, the country, cries for such men."

TODAY

"There are two educational experiments in America today which all educators should watch with the greatest of interest. The first is being carried forward at St. John's College, Annapolis, Maryland, and the second is at the Philadelphia Divinity School."

REV. DR. HENRY P. VAN DUSEN,
Dean, Union Theological Seminary, New York City, and a Trustee of Princeton University.